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Application No. 10/041,115
Response dated 03-01-2004
Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated 02-20-2004
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/041,115
Applicants : Junichi Katsuki et al.
Filed : January 8, 2002
Title : AUSTENITIC STAINLESS STEEL LESS SUSCEPTIBLE
TO CRACKING DURING FORMING AND A
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF
Art Unit : 1742
Confirmation No. : 4472 Customer No. : 28289
Examiner : Deborah Yee

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated February 20, 2004, in which a shortened statutory period for reply was set for one month. Applicants' Amendment of January 26, 2004 was deemed to be non-compliant because the listing of claims was incomplete.

Applicants submit herewith a complete "Listing of Claims", page numbered 2 in the prior Amendment.

Applicants were given one month from the mailing date of the Notice, namely, until March 20, 2004, to comply. This response is within that time period.

Respectfully resubmitted,
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